

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Gremillion, Maximillion) Group Art Unit: 3676
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For: DUAL DIAMETER AND ROTATING)
CENTRALIZER/SUB AND METHOD)

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97

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Applicant submits with this paper patents, publications, and other materials and information of which it is aware of and which it believes may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose. These items have been listed on enclosed FORM PTO-1449 in accordance with the provisions in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure §§ 609 and 707.05(b). One copy of each of the listed non-U.S. items is enclosed.

It is requested that the listed items be considered in the examination of this application and identified on the list of references cited on the patent issuing on this application. Applicant further requests that an initialed copy of the enclosed FORM PTO-1449 be entered into the application file wrapper and returned to the Applicant with the next communication from the Office in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609.

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This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office action after the filing of a request for continued examination under § 1.114. [37 CFR 1.97(b)(4)]. Additionally, Applicant is mindful of the indication in the PAIR records that a Notice of Allowance has been issued, but not yet mailed. To the extent that the Office considers that a Notice of Allowance has already been mailed prior to the filing date of this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicant states the following. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(d)(1) and (e)(1), the issue fee has not yet been paid. Further, on May 9, 2006, the undersigned received search reports pertaining to two UK counterpart divisional applications. Each of the items set out in the attached PTO FORM-1449 were cited in one or both of these search reports (along with other references that are already of record in this application). The undersigned meant to include such references in the prior IDS filed on July 5, 2006 (along with the RCE) but inadvertently failed to do so. Although the communication from the UK Patent Office was dated April 13, 2006, the communication was not received by the undersigned from Applicant's UK associate until May 9, 2006, a date less than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement. As such, the undersigned believes it is fair to state that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. If the Examiner believes that this statement is insufficient, the undersigned will provide the IDS petition fee, but presently believes that such fee is not required.

To facilitate the resolution of any issues or questions presented by this paper, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner directly contact the undersigned by phone to further the discussion, reconsideration and allowance of the claims.

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